**Brownie Awards**

We need to start planning what we want to do next year, starting with which badges and awards we want to work on. Below is the list of Brownie badges with descriptions of each. Please rate each award/badge on the following scale by circling the number next to each badge name:

Scale: 1 – I really really want to do this!

 2 – I would like to do this

 3 – I wouldn’t mind doing this

 4 – I would prefer not to do this, but will if others want to

 5 – I do not want to do this

We will also ask the scouts to choose one badge to lead the Brownies through, working with a parent to create a meeting plan to complete each requirement. Scouts and parents can team up to lead a badge meeting, if they choose.

**JOURNEYS**

Following are descriptions of each of the 3 journeys. All journeys involve a Take Action projection to help your community.

**Brownie Quest journey**  1 2 3 4 5

Brownies will go on a journey to discover the 3 keys to Girl Scouts. Along the way they will learn about themselves, their families, their Brownie team, and their community. Girls will learn to work as a team through fun games and other activities.

**Wonder of Water (WOW) journey** 1 2 3 4 5

Scouts will explore how they can love, save, and share water, and why it is so important to us and the Earth. This journey can include outdoor exploration, science experiments, and fun games.

**World of Girls journey**  1 2 3 4 5

On this Journey, you will find that there are stories are all around us – in movies, in books, in television shows, advertisements, on the news and even on cereal boxes. Stories inspire. Stories motivate. Stories spark imagination and help you learn about yourself, the world, and how to make the world a better place.

**OTHER AWARDS**

**WGGGS pin**  1 2 3 4 5

Learn about the World Association of Girl Guide and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), the worldwide girl scouting group and what the world trefoil symbol means.

**Global Action badge**  1 2 3 4 5

Brownies learn how their actions can have a global impact. Learning about the United States’ Millennium Challenge Goals to help end extreme poverty. Girls complete one or more activity to receive the award.

* Take a hike in a forest or park. Choose five things you enjoyed and share your experience with your group. (Millennium Development Goal: Saving the planet)
* Interview your mom. Sit down together and ask her or another mother you know what it's like being a mother. Write a thank-you to your mom for all she does! (Goal: Keeping mothers healthy)
* Imagine what it would be like to live someplace without television, a computer, or electronic toys. Spend an entire day without using them. (Goal: Promoting peace through partnerships)
* What if, as girls, you could not go to school? What would your life be like? What would you do with your time? How would you learn? Share your ideas with other Brownies. (Goal: Empowering girls)
* Read a story about hunger and poverty in the world. Then, come up with a slogan to make people aware of these issues. (Millennium Development Goal: Ending hunger and poverty)
* Find out what school is like for girls in another part of the world. (Goal: Education opens doors)
* Did you know, in some parts of the world, children get sick because they don't have clean drinking water? Find out where your drinking water comes from. (Goal: Helping children survive)
* Clean hands are important for preventing diseases and staying healthy. Go over the best ways to wash hands. Then comes the fun part: make your own soap. (Goal: Preventing diseases)
* Organize a special service project for your school. Consider planting trees, painting, cleaning up the playground, creating themed "art" to brighten up the cafeteria. (Goal: Education opens doors)
* Why do some people in your area not have enough to eat? Visit a local food bank, learn how hunger and poverty affects your community, and hold a food drive. (Goal: Ending hunger and poverty)

**Cookie Activity Pin**  1 2 3 4 5

The annual Cookie Activity Pin recognizes the “5 Skills” learned and practiced along the way.

* Goal Setting
* Decision Making
* Money Management
* People skills
* Business ethics

**My Promise, My Faith**  1 2 3 4 5

Explore how Girl Scouting and your faith offer similar ideas about how to act and how Girl Scouting can tie into your faith. Just choose a different line of the Law each year.

* Choose one line from the Girl Scout Law.
* Find a woman in your own or another faith community.
* Gather three inspirational quotes
* Make something to remind you of what you’ve learned.
* Make a commitment to live what you’ve learned.

**Safety Award** 1 2 3 4 5

The Safety Award Pin is earned by following a five step process for staying safe.

* Talk to a teacher, parent or another adult about how to stay safe at school.
* Find out where the police station, fire station and other important points are located in your town.
* Find out how a smoke alarm works.
* Find out what to do it a stranger approaches you in a public place.
* Find out what natural disasters are most common in your area and discuss what to do when they happen.

**BADGES**

**Dancer** 1 2 3 4 5

* Warm Up and Get Moving
* Try a New Dance
* Take to the Floor Like a Dancer
* Make up Your Own Dance
* Show Your Moves!

**My Best Self** 1 2 3 4 5

* Get to Know Your Body
* Eat and Play in a Healthy Way
* Find out How Your Body Works
* Know What to Do If Something Bugs You
* Meet a Health Helper

**Computer Expert** 1 2 3 4 5

* Paint or Draw with an Art Program
* Find Some Cool Facts
* Take a Trip Online
* Make a Connection
* Have More Computer Fun

**My Family Story** 1 2 3 4 5

* Explore Family Stories
* Know Where Your Family Is From
* Make a Story Tree
* Find an Object That Means Something to Your Family
* Share Your Family Story

**Home Scientist** 1 2 3 4 5

* Be a Kitchen Chemist
* Create Static Electricity
* Dive into Density
* Make Something Bubble Up
* Play with Science

**Hiker** 1 2 3 4 5

* Decide Where to Go
* Try Out a Hiking Skill
* Pick the Right Gear
* Pack a Snack for Energy
* Go on Your Hike!

**My Great Day** 1 2 3 4 5

* Start Your Day Right
* Sort Out Your Stuff
* Make Homework a Breeze
* Plan Ahead
* Help Others Get Organized

**Household Elf** 1 2 3 4 5

* Save Energy
* Save Water
* Go Natural
* Reuse or Recycle
* Clear the Air

**Potter** 1 2 3 4 5

* Find Some Pottery
* Get to Know Clay
* Make a Simple Pot
* Make an Art Piece
* Paint and Glaze!

**Senses** 1 2 3 4 5

* Look Around
* Listen to the World
* Put Your Nose to Work
* Take a Taste Test
* Touch and Feel

**Pets** 1 2 3 4 5

* Find Out What Care Different Pets Need
* Keep a Pet Comfy
* Help a Pet Stay Healthy and Safe
* Make a Pet Feel Loved
* Feed a Pet

**Making Friends** 1 2 3 4 5

* Make Friendly Introductions
* Show Friends You Care
* Share Favorite Activities
* Learn How to Disagree
* Practice Friendship!

**Letterboxer** 1 2 3 4 5

* Get Started with Letterboxing
* Find Your Own Stamp
* Practice Solving Clues
* Search for a Letterbox
* Make a Letterbox

**Making Games** 1 2 3 4 5

* Try a Scavenger Hunt
* Make a Mystery Game
* Create a Party Game
* Change the Rules
* Invent a Whole New Sport

**Inventor** 1 2 3 4 5

* Warm Up Your Inventor's Mind
* Find Lots of Ways to Solve the Same Problem
* Make a Needs List
* Solve a Problem
* Share Your Invention

**Brownie Girl Scout Way** 1 2 3 4 5

* Sing Everywhere
* Celebrate Juliette Low's Birthday
* Share Sisterhood
* Leave a Place Better Than You Found It
* Enjoy Girl Scout Traditions

**Painting** 1 2 3 4 5

* Get Inspired
* Paint the Real World
* Paint a Mood
* Paint without Brushes
* Paint a Mural

**Celebrating Community** 1 2 3 4 5

* Explore Community Symbols – learn about what makes our community special
* Sing Together
* Follow the Parade – join a community parade
* Be a Landmark Detective
* Join a Ceremony or Celebration

**Snacks** 1 2 3 4 5

* Jump into the World of Snacks – what makes a snack healthy?
* Make a Savory Snack
* Try a Sweet Snack
* Snack for Energy
* Slurp a Snack

**Brownie First Aid** 1 2 3 4 5

* Find out How to Get Help from 911
* Talk to Someone Who Treats Injured People
* Make a First Aid Kit
* Learn How to Treat Minor Injuries
* Know How to Prevent & Treat Outdoor Injuries

**Fair Play** 1 2 3 4 5

* Follow the Rules
* Include Everyone
* Be a Part of a Team
* Keep Score
* Have a Field Day

**Bugs** 1 2 3 4 5

* Draw a Bug Poster
* Try a Bug Craft
* See Bugs in Action
* Explore Bug Homes
* Take a Bug Field Trip

**Money Manager** 1 2 3 4 5

* Shop for Elf Items with Your Elf Doll
* Go Grocery Shopping
* Go Clothes Shopping
* Get Ready for School
* Have Some Fun

**Philanthropist** 1 2 3 4 5

* Learn What Every Person Needs
* Investigate How to Help People Who Are Hungry
* Find Out How to Help People Who Need Clothing
* Know How to Help in Times of Emergency
* Think - and Act - Like a Philanthropist

**Meet My Customers** 1 2 3 4 5

* Find Out Where Your Cookie Customers Are
* Talk to Some Customers
* Practice Handling Money & Making Change
* Role-play Good Customer Relations
* Thank Your Customers!

**Give Back** 1 2 3 4 5

* Find Out about Businesses That Give Back
* Set a Giving Goal for our Cookie sale
* Involve Your Customers
* Practice Giving Back
* Tell Your Cookie Customers How They Helped

**My Own Badge**

Is there something you really want to learn to do that isn’t on the list above? We can develop discover, connect, and take action requirements to “make our own badge.” What are some other things you would like to learn to do, or learn to do better? Outdoor activities (hiking, sailing, sports)? Traditional Girl Scout activities (sewing, embroidery, art, acting)? More science activities (experiments, local geology, astronomy, robotics)?

**SERVICE PROJECTS**

Girl Scouts is all about service and giving back, which is why we do community service projects. How can we help make the world a better place? What kind of service projects would you be more interested in?

Rank these in order from 1 (you most want to do) to 6 (the one you least want to do).

* Food or clothing drives
* Helping out at community events
* Make things for others – animal treats, crafts for the elderly, blankets for children, scarves for the homeless
* Cleaning up a natural area, park, or helping to make new trails
* Host a badge day or event for a younger troop
* Help children around the world

Any other ideas for service projects? What do you want to do? Who would you like to help?

**FIELD TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES**

Go to a nature center or garden 1 2 3 4 5

Go on day hikes 1 2 3 4 5

Holiday crafts/party 1 2 3 4 5

Save up for a big trip 1 2 3 4 5

Go ice skating 1 2 3 4 5

Any other ideas?

**WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO?**

**Outdoor Skills**

1. Fire Building: Practice fire building skills1 2 3 4 5

2. Outdoor cooking: learn to cook over a fire1 2 3 4 5

3. Use a real compass1 2 3 4 5

4. Find your way with a map and compass1 2 3 4 5

5. Learn survival skills and how to make things from nature1 2 3 4 5

6. Teach a younger troop about outdoor skills1 2 3 4 5

7. Learn real first aid and what to do in an emergency?1 2 3 4 5

**Traditions** (circle the one you would rather do)

Would you rather:

1. Have a Juliette Gordon Low party (Her birthday is on Halloween)? OR
2. Learn about her and Girl Scouts a little bit over several meetings?

Would you rather:

1. Learn a new song every couple of meetings or so? OR
2. Have a meeting or two where we just learn new songs?